

CONGRESSIONAL BUDGET OFFICE COST ESTIMATE

July 21, 2008

H.R. 5235 Ronald Reagan Centennial Commission Act

As ordered reported by House Committee on Oversight and Government Reform on July 16, 2008

H.R. 5235 would establish a commission to plan, develop, and coordinate the commemoration of the 100th anniversary of the birth of former President Ronald Reagan on February 6, 2011. The 11-member commission would have until April 30, 2011, to report to the Congress on its activities. All commission members would serve without pay but would be reimbursed for travel expenses. In addition, the commission could hire staff and use volunteers and personnel detailed from other federal agencies. Finally, the bill would authorize the appropriation of \$1 million over the 2009-2011 period.

Assuming appropriation of the specified amount, CBO estimates that the commission would spend \$1 million over the 2009-2011 period to develop a commemoration plan. Because H.R. 5235 would authorize the commission to accept and use gifts, enacting the legislation could have a negligible impact on revenues (from donations) and associated direct spending.

H.R. 5235 contains no intergovernmental or private-sector mandates as defined in the Unfunded Mandates Reform Act and would not affect the budgets of state, local, or tribal governments.

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